

JERay's statements, something new and a lie

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The BBC Panaroma interview is longer than I'd expected. David Lomax was the questioner. For the most part it was old stuff. What is interesting there is it is the same story, no variations. This tends to make it credible because it is impossible to memorize all details.

However, there are two points where there are differences.

One is on the 20-year deal Hanes relayed. I believe that what he says Hanes never told us and I'm sure Jimmy didn't. It is that there was a quid pro quo, "I would be some type of state witness against some individual that the F.B.I. had staked out in New Orleans..."

I recall nothing like this, only the relay of the 20-year offer in return for the g.p.

The deliberate lie is about the British bank robbery. He was asked about this. He replied, "No, that's incorrect. No robberies at all."

He told me otherwise, in some detail, and the British police found his prints on the brown paper bag used in the robbery of the Fulham bank.

Of course there is no proof of the N.O. angle to the g.p. But there is no question that Jimmy knew he was lying on the no robberies statement.

I find myself wondering why. One possibility is to disown his partner in that minor affair. He did have one.